

65A-6-11 Land subject to a federal mineral lease.

- (1) With respect to any tract of land in which the state acquires or has acquired any interest subject to an outstanding federal mineral lease or prospecting permit, the lessee or permittee may submit a petition seeking extension of the permit or lease or any other action as may be necessary to give to the lessee or permittee any and all rights, privileges, and benefits which he would have had under the permit or lease had the state not acquired its interest in the tract.
- (2) In consideration of the voluntary termination by the federal lessee or permittee of his lease or permit as it relates to that tract, the division may issue to that lessee or permittee a lease of the acquired tract or any portion of that tract for recovery of the same mineral substances upon terms that the lessee shall have all the rights, privileges, and benefits with reference to that tract which he would have had by reason of his lease or permit from the United States had the state not acquired its interest in the tract.

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